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Ann M. WOLLRATH et al.

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In reply to the Office Action dated May 7, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application based on the following remarks:

REMARKS

In the outstanding Office Action, the Examiner rejected claim 85 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Wollrath et al. ("Simple Activation for Distributed Objects"); rejected claim 88 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wollrath et al.; and rejected claims 70-84, 86, 87, and 89-102 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wollrath et al. in view of Ruehle et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,553,428). Claims 70-102 are pending.

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